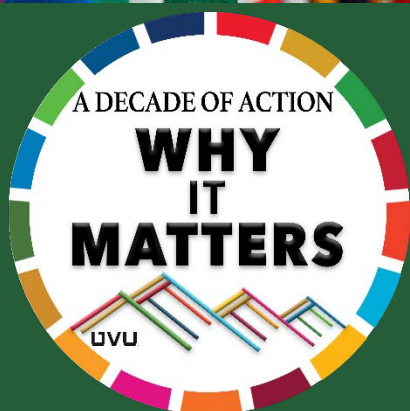


# Global Engagement Newsletter

October 2021, vol. 1



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[uvu.edu/global](http://uvu.edu/global)

## Welcome

Dear Friends,

Over the past few years, the Office for Global Engagement has published an annual report presenting a review of all activities conducted during the year. In a spirit of moving our operations digitally, this is the first monthly newsletter that will now be sent via email. We are grateful for our new newsletter editor, UVU student Hailey Scott, who has researched and composed the stories.

This year has been a challenging one as international travel continues to be restricted in many areas of the world. Despite our limitations, the UVU Office for Global Engagement continues to embrace the world by showcasing activities conducted by faculty and students. Please be aware that on March 21, 2022 we will have the 4<sup>th</sup> diplomatic conference on campus. And we are currently working on a global conference jointly with the United Nations on the Sustainable Development Goals for October 5-7, 2022.

Best Regards,  
Dr. Baldomero Lago, CIO

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# Global Student Leadership Council

We are pleased to announce our first student group, the **UVU Global Student Leadership Council**. This council will enhance student success and leadership potential of its members by offering immersive international experiences, facilitating exposure to diverse cultures, and fostering diplomatic skills.



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National Security Studies  
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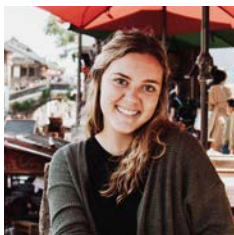
**Dylan Tweed**  
Political Science



**Carolina Yauyo**  
Political Science

## A New Structure

### New Staff Introductions:



**Hailey Scott**  
Administrative Assistant III-  
Newsletter



**Lina Varionova**  
Student Employee-  
Marketing

**The Office for Global Engagement has recently been rearranged – Contact Us Here:**

For International Travel contact: Global Engagement Office at [uvu.edu/global](http://uvu.edu/global)

For Study Abroad contact: Education Abroad at [uvu.edu/educationabroad](http://uvu.edu/educationabroad)

# Community Highlight



## DeeAnn Mower

We would like to express our profound gratitude to DeeAnn Mower for her long-time dedication towards the Office for Global Engagement. Because of her support, we can continue to participate in important conversations and events that occur in and around our community that we wouldn't otherwise be able to.

Our mission to create opportunities for students to succeed and become responsible global citizens is greatly enhanced! We are grateful to have worked together for the past 20 years and look forward to continuing that relationship!

## Thinking About Traveling?

### Contact Us!

[goglobal@uvu.edu](mailto:goglobal@uvu.edu)

## Global Spotlight

### Faculty Involvement

We are excited to offer UVU Faculty a brand new opportunity to get involved with our reimagined Global Spotlight program! Have an idea?

**Submit your proposals to**  
[uvu.edu/global/global-spotlight](http://uvu.edu/global/global-spotlight)

## International Faculty Staff Networking Group

UVU's first ever meeting of our International Faculty and Staff Networking Group. Faculty and Staff, throughout the University, came together to connect and build relations with one another!



## Current COVID-19 Travel Guidelines

All UVU-sponsored international travel is **unauthorized** through the end of **December 2021**

Mid-December this restriction will be reviewed for current January 2022 travel guidelines

# Sustainable Development Goals

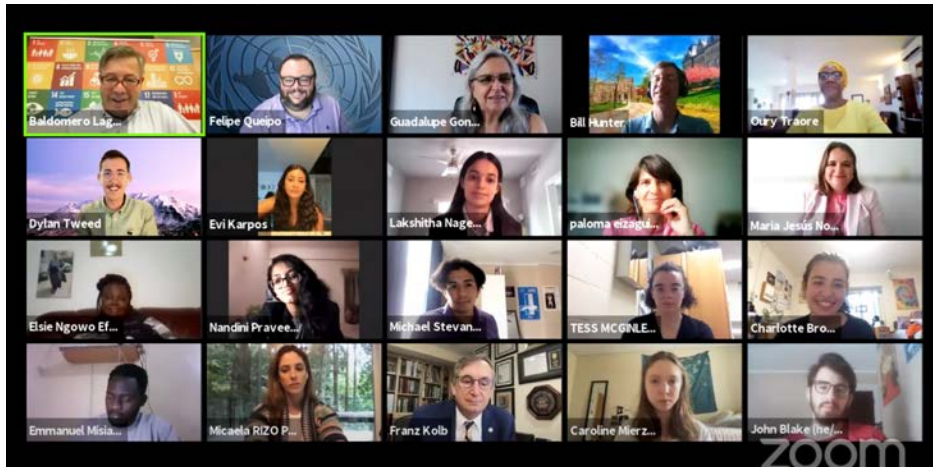
## Why It Matters Conference

5 – 7 October 2022

1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on the Sustainable Development Goals

### Youth ZOOM Meeting

This online ZOOM event brought together 50 youth and leaders from around the world to communicate their vision and excitement for the upcoming Conference discussing the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda.

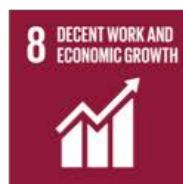


### Youth/Host Committee Meetings

Both the Youth and Host Committees met to learn more about the upcoming Why It Matters Conference. As well as, lend their support and feedback as we continue to prepare for next October's Conference.



Conference Proposals due  
**November 1, 2021**



## International Day of Peace – September 21

Individuals came together to observe the United Nation’s International Day of Peace in UVU’s Reflection Center. Will Clark, a member of our Global Student Leadership Counsel, represented our Office. We presented on the history of International Day of Peace, the Sustainable Development Goals and the upcoming 2022 “Why It Matters” Conference.



## International Day of Sign Languages – September 23

The Global Engagement Office was pleased to work with UVU ASL & Deaf Studies in celebrating International Day of Sign Languages. Together, with our guest panelists (Dr. Michael Ballard, Benjamin Leininger, Gohar Nisar, Tanasha Slack, and Anna Pauling-Allred), individuals honored the rights and identities of people who are deaf; while recognizing sign languages as a complex language.



### Upcoming Events:

- October 6 – Lecture with Niankoro Yeah Samake
- October 24 – World Polio Day
- October 26 – United Nations Day

## Faculty-Led Study Abroad

Faculty-Led Study Abroad programs are UVU sponsored engaged learning opportunities. These programs normally occur during the summer semester for around 2-8 weeks. Students travel with a group of UVU students and one or two faculty program directors. These programs are location and study specific. Students earn on average 3-6 UVU credits.



Japan, Language and Culture,  
Study Abroad 2019



Study Abroad Expo

## Study Abroad Expo

The Office for Education Abroad hosted a Study Abroad Expo on September 22-23. The Expo showcased UVU's 20+ Faculty-Led Study Abroad and third-party study abroad programs.

## Third-Party Programs

Third-party programs, such as International Studies Abroad (ISA) and Cambridge PKP, allow for more variety in location, subject, and length than Faculty-Led Study Abroad. Students study at host university and engage with program sponsored events and outings. Students on these programs can transfer credit back to UVU.

### For questions, please contact us:

- Office: LA 111
- Phone Number: 801-863-8709
- Email: [studyabroad@uvu.edu](mailto:studyabroad@uvu.edu)
- [uvu.edu/educationabroad](http://uvu.edu/educationabroad)

### Upcoming Deadlines for December 1, 2021

#### China

- Language and Culture
- May 5-June 21, 2022

#### Finland

- Education
- May 8-20, 2022

#### Japan

- Language and Culture
- May 10-June 8, 2022

